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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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LOWERING THE BRAIN ACTIVITIES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per recent findings the video may be lowering the Brain activity;

(b) whether any such research has been done in India in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government will suitably advise video game users in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(d): ICMR has not carried out any research on effects of video games on brain activity.However, the result of research in developed countries undertaken, portray electronic games as having little or no long term effect on the users. Any substantial research on use of electronic games has not been undertaken.